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EDITORIAL COMMENT

In accepting the office of *Cooperation Secretary and Treasurer of the Key to Success* the Auburn Alumni Association, the writer feels impressed with the responsibilities which accompany the position. For a long period of years the Association has existed, with varying excursions into fields of activity for the College, under the leadership of men who were paid to do other things, and who could therefore give to the workings of the Association only such spare time as their regular duties would permit. That an organization so carelessly nurtured could have carried on so effectively the work of an Alumni Association, which culminated some years ago in the erection of a magnificent gymnasium on the college campus, is simply proof of the unquenchable quality of the Auburn spirit, with which college students at Auburn have been baptized at matriculation for the past half century. The great wonder is that anything of value could have been accomplished at all. All honor to the past executives and officers who have been able to accomplish so much under such disadvantageous circumstances.

Released now from this serious handicap of the past, the Association is determined to so regulate its future, that, through the medium of an all time executive employed for the purpose, affairs of great moment and value to the college may not be left to a haphazard performance, but will rather have behind them the concentrated, concerted effort of an organization functioning in a business-like manner. The field of opportunity is inviting, and an abundant harvest should reward its intelligent cultivation.

In the arduous task of conducting the Auburn Alumnus upon the same high plane of inspiration and idealism which has guided it in the past, the editor be-

speaks the sympathy and special interest of every individual alumnus of the college. In the still more arduous task of ferreting out and locating the thousands of ex-students, of whom no word has been received since they passed out from the college walls,—your secretary bespeaks the cooperation and assistance of all old Auburn men, both graduates and ex-students of the college. In the most arduous task of all: the cementing, solidifying and vitalizing of interests that may have lagged, affections that may have cooled, and loyalty that may have wandered, your secretary must have the active support, the partisan cooperation of every Auburn interest, past, present and future.—Alumni, Trustees, Faculty, Student Body and Townsmen. Let the individual interest be submerged in the greater welfare of the college; for only in this manner, through the united effort of all, may we hope to put Auburn in a position to realize the ambitions and aspirations of her devotees.

Continued good reports

Dr. Thach come in as to the progress in *Green Mountains* being made by Dr. Thach. The latest report comes through Mrs. Thach written from Waterbury Center, Vermont in which she says; "I feel all of Dr. Thach's friends will be glad to know that he is well enough to leave the hospital and come up here to the Green Mountains of Vermont. We are delightfully situated in this little village in the very heart of the mountains, bracing air and lovely scenery. Mr. Thach is getting on nicely, and is improving every day". All of which brings a note of real joy into the hearts of thousands of former students and alumni of the college, who have a deep and abiding interest in the welfare of the President Emeritus.

*The October
Canvas for
an Alumni
Fund*

Elsewhere will be found details of the plan adopted by the Executive Council for immediately securing sufficient funds through a country wide canvas, to establish at Auburn a headquarters office with an all-time executive in charge to look after the affairs of the Alumni Association in a business-like manner. This has been customary in most all of the colleges of any size in the East and North, but Vanderbilt and perhaps Texas are the only places in the South where so advanced a step has been taken. Auburn alumni are therefore to be congratulated on the wisdom and fore-

sight of the Executive council in determining to immediately avail of the benefits arising from such an arrangement. The entire month of October will be given over to the canvas, which will take place in every Southern State, as well as many in the North. It is desired that every ex-student and alumnus of Auburn should not only participate in this movement himself but that he will voluntarily see that every Auburn man he meets in the month of October, has a chance to do likewise. "Something from everyone" is a slogan that will raise the necessary fund easily and expeditiously. The October Alumnus will publish a list of the subscribers.

Happenings at the College

FIRST FORMAL SESSION

With all sails set, all ropes taut, all repairs made, decks polished and the faculty crew complete, "Old Auburn" like a ship setting out to sea has weighed anchor and swung off on a favorable tide, with a heavy cargo of students, the largest perhaps in her history. Thursday, September 9th was the eventful day, when the formal opening of the college took place and six or seven hundred students filled Langdon Hall to capacity to hear themselves welcomed to Auburn in a most effective manner by the entire faculty of the institution grouped upon the platform around the new President, Dr. Spright Dowell.

It was a most auspicious opening and the address of the new president, filled with inspiration, enthusiasm and good sense, was warmly received. A strong note of optimism and confidence in the future was dominant throughout as he urged the students to open their hearts to the "Auburn Spirit." "No one can define just what that spirit is—invisible, intangible, indescribable—but we know that it exists—for you have felt it—you have seen the results of its work in sports, in class room and in student relations. It is the sum total of all that has gone before—the best thought, the noblest ideals, the highest aspirations of presidents, faculties and all who have labored to make this college great in the past. It is an inheritance—it is an organism—embodying the prayers of women—the aspirations of men and the ideals of youth—a spirit that will take the institution forward to still greater heights than ever before.

"And this spirit charges you students with solemn obligations also. The trustees cannot run this institution success-

fully unaided. Neither can the faculty—the alumni nor the student body. It takes the united cooperation of all these forces—with a fine determination to make the good better and the better best.

We do not want to lord it over you and we propose to be your friends and we also propose that you shall be our friends—We will meet you at all times half way, in an effort to make this an example to Institutions everywhere. And so in the name of the faculty, the alumni, the trustees and the State of Alabama, I bid you welcome today and through all the days to come."

Mike Donahue, the popular coach, was next on the program following a song and some college yells led by Albert Thomas. "I've just returned from a trip through the east and back with my family—one that fills the big car to overflowing—and all the way the pennant "Auburn" has flung its challenge to the country side. The Auburn spirit of which the president speaks is one that doesn't back down—it goes there and back. As an illustration, on one of those narrow roads in the Alleghanies—with a mountain on one side and a sheer drop of three or four miles on the other—I met another car filled with men—mine with children and looking more like a callaboose. I knew I wasn't going back and they said the same. There wasn't room to pass or turn and so I looked them straight in the eye and said, 'I'm coming on—you suit yourselves,' and leaned down and turned on the gas. When I glanced up they were nearly out of sight.

"In athletics, like all other things you get out what you put in. Here all will be treated alike. Our athletic system is based on the student body—not on past records made somewhere else. Auburn spirit means hard fighting and clean play. The athletic men in the college

are expected to be sportsmanlike in all their other relations and to set an example to all other students of the Institution."

D. F. Folger, Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. made an appeal to the boys not to take a "religious vacation," and Rev. N. B. McLeod, of the Methodist church, welcomed the students on behalf of all the churches of the town.

"AUBURN NIGHT"

Langdon Hall was the scene of an unique celebration September 13th when "Auburn Night" was staged with a back-ground of the student body filling the hall to overflowing, crowding the aisles, windows and doors,—and with another crowd assembled on the outside and unable to get in. It marked the beginning of athletics at the college this term, and the event was under the auspices of those who are directing and fostering the "Auburn spirit" in a manner to put it behind the football, baseball, basketball and track teams. Enthusiasm and pep were dominant throughout, and there can be no doubt but that the various teams will get the entire support of the student body.

President Spright Dowell opened the program, over which Dr. Geo. Petrie presided as Chairman. He appealed to the boys not to permit their Auburn spirit to be circumscribed by the college territory. In the letters back home to brothers, parents and sweet-hearts the same spirit of loyalty and devotion should develop and foster an abiding interest in the welfare of the college,—so that through an awakened public opinion all over the state would come the funds that would make the college function as it's opportunity demanded that it should.

"Let me strike hands with you in a program of education whereby this institution, the best asset Alabama possesses today, shall receive its just deserts". And a dramatic scene was presented as seemingly five thousand hands were flung aloft to clasp the outstretched hand of the President across the intervening space.

Other inspiring talks were made by Dr. Cecil Yarbrough in behalf of the town of Auburn; by W. B. Paterson of Montgomery representing the Auburn alumni; by Emmett Sizemore, Captain of the football team,—who recieved a tumultuous ovation at the hands of the students,—leading up as a climax to the final speech of the evening by Coach Mike Donahue. It was then that the citizens of Opelika turned over in their beds to remark, "There must be something doing down at Auburn tonight". The Coach has a way of identifying himself with the boys that makes him one of them, and when he spoke of extending the high standards and ideals of the football team to the honor system and other college activities, there was a ready response awaiting him from the students.

"If anything is going on that is likely to prove detrimental to the football team," you fellows don't wait for it to reach me. You handle it yourselves. In just such a way, if there is anything going on that is likely to prove hurtful to the college,—let it be known promptly that you won't stand for it." All through the program there were cheers for the various speakers, yells led by the college band,—and a final 15 rah, rah, rahs "for Uncle Charlie that will be heard in Baltimore." The students and faculty then mingled in an informal reception out on the lawn of the campus, where ices and cool drinks were served,—and another pleasant occasion passed into history.

Changes in College Buildings

Students returning this fall to Auburn have been interested in the many additions and alterations to the college buildings which have been accomplished during the vacation period and some of which are still incomplete on account of delays in the delivery of material.

New Dormitory

Chief among these improvements, is the conversion of the old barracks bought from the Government at the close of the S. A. T. C. period, into comfortable dormitory quarters, equipped with electric lights and steam heat and accomodating about 150 additional students. Every room is an outside room, having a closet

and from two to three windows each. There are 67 rooms in all, and at the end of the building on each floor, there are ample showerbath and toilet facilities. In addition there is a spacious college dining room and kitchen, both of which are supplied with ample equipment and furnishings purchased at advantageous prices from the dismantled army camps. Located behind the shops and just south of the Engineering building, the new dormitory is most convenient to all the college buildings as well as the gymnasium.

Stable for Field Artillery

Over beyond Drake athletic field two

new structures are going up for the Field Artillery, R. O. T. C. One is a large stable, 35 feet wide by 166 feet long, built to accommodate 60 artillery horses and equipped with forage and saddle rooms. The other is a huge gun shed, 30 feet wide by 230 feet long, a series of bays with openings to each, so as to accommodate with ease the military equipment, gun carriages, ammunition wagons, etc., which will be backed into each one. At one end is a tool room and blacksmith shop.

Langdon Hall

Perhaps the most interesting improvement, however, is the work going on in Langdon hall, where students are wont to gather every morning for chapel. Here an entirely new stage has been constructed, with proscenium arch overhead, and footlights and dressing rooms will be added. This will fill a long felt want of the student body. The new stage is 48 feet wide by 18 feet deep. The proscenium arch is 16 feet high, with an open-

ing of 35 feet, constructed in old colonial style in keeping with the general architecture of the building. By means of folding and movable partitions it is planned to cut off both ends of the stage for dressing rooms of moderate size. Opening to the right a new room has been constructed over the shop for the college band. It provides a safe place for housing the band instruments and the musical library of the popular college organization. All walls and ceilings are refinished and the exterior repaired and repainted. Two additional entrances are being provided, one on either side of the main entrance, and eventually the steps will be extended across the entire front of the building.

At the Library, Agricultural building and Smith Dining hall extensive repairs are being carried on. The main Administration building is being renovated throughout, floors oiled, walls calcimined, woodwork varnished and windows glazed.

Expansion in Architectural Course

Announcement was recently made of some decided improvements in the Department of Architecture, by which during the coming session, it will be enabled to render a much greater service through a more attractive course to students, than has heretofore been the case. Prof. Fred-eric C. Biggin, head of this Department, states that the expansion consists not only of more commodious quarters—but particularly in the selection of an Assistant Professor of Architecture in the person of Prof. Harrington Barlow, who has especial charge of the instruction in architectural design, and at the same time will supervise the extensive repairs and alterations in the college buildings.

Prof. Barlow is a graduate of the Department of Architecture of Harvard University and a man of many years practical experience. During the war he served in the Construction Division of the War Department at Washington. The college authorities are much gratified with his selection, realizing that he will add much force to the teaching staff of the college.

The increased space devoted to the de-

partment consists of a new main drafting room, 27 feet wide by 42 feet long, spacious and well lighted, and a freehand drawing studio, 27 feet wide by 30 feet long, which will handle sections of 30 men each. The lecture room will accommodate classes of 40 or more men at a time. In addition a separate room has been provided for the valuable architectural library, which has heretofore been housed in the lecture room. Additional equipment, in the way of drawing tables, lantern slides and books, have been added—partly provided by the equipment fund raised last year by the Architectural Association of the State.

This has proven a most propitious time for students entering college, both young men and women, to take up this course. Never in the history of the institution has there been so favorable an opportunity. With the world far behind in its building program, the demand for skilled draftsmen from architects and contractors is most insistent. So attractive are the offers made that it is difficult to keep the students at work long enough to complete their course.

The Seniors Organize

Organization of the Senior Class was perfected September 14 when a session was called immediately after chapel in the auditorium of the Engineering Building. Past President Eric Wideburg pre-

sided and although at times the various class positions were hotly contested, the spirit of the occasion was fine in every regard and there were no sore toes on exhibit after the elections were over.

Probably the closest contest occurred in the selection of a Vice-President, Charles Ollinger winning over Russell Reed by a single vote,—the record standing Ollinger 55 and Reed 54. The selection of Sizemore, Captain of the football team was the only unanimous choice and indicates the universal popularity of the football star among his fellow students. The officers selected were as follows:

President, Emmett Sizemore, of Oneonta.

Vice-President, Charles Ollinger of Mobile.

Secretary, Russell Reed of Gadsden.

Treasurer, J. P. Creel of Jefferson.

Orator, Mose Jacobs of Jefferson.

Historian, Cyrus Eugene Reid of Montgomery.

Prophet, John Morgan Brown of Auburn.

Poet, Bert N. Bryan of Georgia.

Honor man, James D. Wade, Jr., of Montgomery.

The position of Cheer Leader was not filled. For a good many years in succession this position has been filled by Neal Johnson, who performed with the skill of a professional, and woe betide the man who attempts to succeed him. There will be several put forward by their friends, and they will be tried out by the senior class within the next few days, and a final selection made.

A special committee of three from the architectural division was appointed to place the class numerals on the elevated water tank in the center of the town. Soon the figures '21 in the Auburn colors of Orange and Blue will be placed in this conspicuous position by Messrs Wideberg, Ollinger and Spratling.

Auburn Alumni Council Meets

The executive council of the Auburn Alumni Association held an all day session at the Shrine club rooms in Montgomery Thursday, September 2nd. Important activities for the association during the coming year were outlined, a definite program of work was adopted and a permanent headquarters office with an all time secretary in charge was provided for.

The headquarters office will be located at Auburn and will be in the charge of Leslie L. Gilbert who was elected executive secretary. Mr. Gilbert is at present the agricultural editor of the Extension Service and Experiment Station at Auburn, and is well experienced in organization work having for twelve years served as secretary of the Montgomery Chamber of Commerce. He will give his entire time to the duties of the office from October 1st.

February 22, was selected as Alumni Day at which time Alumni and Class reunions, dinners and other functions will be held instead of at commencement time. On Alumni Day exercises will be held inducting the entire senior class into the Alumni organization as a body and securing their immediate and enthusiastic entrance into alumni work for the college.

A special committee was appointed to wait on President Dowell and inform

him of work planned by the association and the cooperation proposed with the college work. A state-wide finance committee was appointed with Vice-President M. F. Kahn, of Montgomery, as chairman. Nine standing committees were created and their duties outlined at the meeting. The standing committees created were on organization of local clubs, finance and loyalty fund, legislative appropriations, scholarships, student loan fund, student attendance, alumnus magazine and program for Alumni Day.

The resignation of Prof. James R. Rutland as editor in chief of the Auburn Alumnus was accepted with regret. Prof. Rutland has been editor of the college magazine since it was established eight years ago, but finds that his college duties are now too heavy to continue the work. Secretary Gilbert was elected to the place.

The executive council is composed of representative business men from all sections of the country. There was a full attendance of the members of the committee who sacrificed their time and money to attend the meeting and do a constructive work for their Alma Mater. The committee is composed of John Denson, president, Onelika; M. F. Kahn, vice-president, Montgomery; Jerry Gwin, vice-president, Birmingham; W. H. Blake, Sheffield; Ellery Edwards, New York City; A. C. Crowder, Birmingham; Thomas Bragg, Birmingham; Haygood Paterson, Montgomery; J. Oliver Semmes, Pensacola, Fla.; J. P. Ilges, Columbus, Ga.; and Walker Reynolds of Anniston.

The Active Campaign for Finances

The letter sent out by President Jno. V. Denson to the Auburn Alumni setting out the details of the plan adopted for the Campaign for finances is published below. The plan contemplates aggressive, concerted work at a definite time and during a specific period for the entire country. It will be in the hands of influential business men in every locality and every alumnus is urged to help. "Something from every one" is the slogan. "Wake up Auburn, Wake up Auburn" is the cry. The response—is up to you.

Auburn, Ala.,
Sept. 23, 1920

Dear Fellow Alumnus:

Complying with the plan adopted at the annual meeting of the Auburn Alumni Association in June last, in determining to secure at once sufficient funds for the establishment at Auburn of a headquarters office with an all-time official in charge,—the Executive Council has decided upon a vigorous, concerted campaign for funds through a Finance Committee headed by Vice-president M. F. Kahn of Montgomery, and composed of influential business men selected from every alumni center in the country.

The plan contemplates the raising of from six to seven thousand dollars a year for three consecutive years, through subscriptions pledged by individual alumni, payable the first in cash, the second by note due April 1st, 1921 and the third by note due April 1st, 1922. After that period it is expected that the Association will be so built up as to maintain itself from regular dues received as annual fees. The canvas for the entire country will be made,

OCTOBER 1ST TO OCTOBER 31ST 1920

There is much that an Alumni Association can do for its college if organized activity can be substituted for vague good wishes. Some of these undertakings are to conduct a campaign of information over the state as to the actual needs of the college in the way of salaries, buildings, equipment and maintenance; to bring

through public opinion, such influences to work, as will provide funds in the State Treasury for meeting adequate legislative appropriations when made; to systematically canvas for new students for the college; to stimulate the donation of scholarships, lecture courses, endowments, bequests and gifts; to create an ample fund to loan to worthy students to complete their education; to maintain an employment bureau to help students through college and locate them advantageously upon graduation; to assist in trips made by the College band, the Glee and Dramatic clubs.

To accomplish results along these lines at all times, a paid official is necessary, who in addition to the above duties, would also secure and keep an accurate, up-to-date address list of all graduates and former students of the college; a stupendous task in itself and one requiring much time to accomplish; who would collect and preserve all biographical material concerning all members; who would edit and manage a monthly magazine of information to the alumni on all happenings and events concerning the college, meetings of the trustees, faculty, various alumni chapters, as well as personal items about individual alumni; who would aid in organizing local clubs wherever possible; who would stimulate the holding of alumni reunions by alumni and classes, and generally encourage all plans tending to develop and chain the affection and influence of the alumni to the college itself.

While this is a forward step, it has been too long delayed. Would Auburn be in the embarrassing position she is today,—so far as professors' salaries, sufficient buildings and adequate equipment is concerned,—if ten or fifteen years ago, our Association had employed an all-time executive to harness up the alumni interests to the college in a definite and effective way? We have failed to avail of college loyalty and spirit which will readily respond if we but provide the way.

The Executive Council has every faith and confidence in the response that will be made to this appeal, by the individual alumni. It will only require the reasonable contribution of all to meet our needs. We must however adopt the slogan, "Something from everyone". The measure of a man's loyalty to his alma mater may well be determined by the promptness of his subscription to this cause.

Yours for a greater AUBURN,
JNO. V. DENSON,
President.

Alumni Association Standing Committees

At the meeting of the Executive Council in Montgomery on Sept. 2nd, eight standing committees were created to take care of work that the Association is undertaking during the coming year. That as much publicity as possible may be given to these committees, it has been thought well to publish this information in the *Alumnus*.

As soon as President Denson has selected the personnel of these committees, announcements will be duly made.

Organization of Clubs—It shall be the duty of this committee to systematically organize local clubs of Auburn Alumni, wherever as many as ten members may be obtained. The unit may be city wide, county wide or include a definite section. It shall also be the duty of this committee to aid in keeping these local clubs actively at work.

Finance and Loyalty Fund.—It shall be the duty of this committee to devise and execute plans for financing the work of the Association in a permanent way. They shall also specifically encourage generous donations to the Alumni Association to the end that it may at all times have ample funds for carrying on a vigorous work.

Legislative Appropriations.—It shall be the duty of this Committee to cooperate with the proper authorities of the college in the work of securing adequate appropriations from the legislature to meet the needs of the college. This may consist in educational work in every county, in preliminary work with legislators themselves, and in the assembling and

presentation of information and data for the benefit of committees of the Legislature.

Scholarships.—It shall be the duty of this committee to encourage the donation of scholarships, lectureships, foundations, endowments and legacies to the college, or to the Alumni Association in prosecuting its work for the college.

Student Loan Fund.—It shall be the duty of this committee to investigate and determine the exact status of the Student Loan Fund and if deemed desirable, take all necessary steps looking to its increase and proper administration in the future, that no worthy student may be deprived of reasonable assistance.

Student Attendance.—It shall be the duty of this committee to so advertise the advantages and opportunities of the college over the state, that a regular and increasing attendance of students, may at all times be maintained.

Alumnus Magazine.—It shall be the duty of this committee to stir up the active interest of the alumni in support of this periodical, to devise campaigns whereby the list of subscribers may be largely increased, and in every way possible make the *ALUMNUS* an active force in tying up the influence of the alumni to the college.

Program Alumni Day.—It shall be the duty of this committee to prepare a definite program of business and entertainment to be carried out on Alumni Day each year, and for any other function which may be held from time to time under the auspices of the Association.

Salaries of College Professors

The universal, though somewhat belated, movement to secure more adequate compensation for the teaching forces of our leading colleges, makes a most interesting chapter in the history and development of higher education in this country. No argument showing the necessity for an increased wage will be submitted here. Every person of ordinary intelligence is aware of it already. The points of particular interest just now are what sums are being raised for educational purposes, through what means are these funds being secured, and to what extent are salaries being improved thereby? What are forward looking edu-

cators elsewhere doing in this emergency to meet their responsibility? Here are some recently compiled statistics showing amounts for which campaigns are being waged, and percentages of increase in professors salaries.

Harvard—\$15,250,000; 50 per cent.

Princeton—\$14,325,000; income from \$2,000,000.

Cornell—\$10,000,000; 20 per cent.

Boston University—\$10,000,000; 30 per cent last year, 30 per cent 1920.

Massachusetts Tech.—\$8,000,000; income from \$4,000,000.

Smith College—\$4,000,000; 50 per cent.

Oberlin—\$5,285,000; 50 per cent.
Wesleyan University—\$3,000,000; 33-50 per cent.

Bryn Mawr—\$2,000,000; 75 per cent.
Goucher College—\$1,500,000; 25-50 per cent.

Louisiana College—\$1,075,000; 25 per cent.

Washington and Lee—\$1,000,000; 40 per cent.

Vanderbilt University—\$4,000,000; (recently) 40 per cent.

University of Georgia—\$1,000,000.

Vanderbilt has recently announced the engagement of a new fulltime Professor in the Law Department, secured from the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa.

Practically all of the above colleges are endowed institutions. What are the land grant colleges doing? What on an average do they pay their professors? Here is a table showing professors salaries and increases the past year that may be of interest to Auburn alumni and to others:

University of Virginia—\$2750 to \$4500; 25 per cent.

University of Texas—\$3250 to \$4000; none.

University of North Carolina—\$3000 to \$3600; \$550.

University of Mississippi—\$2750 to \$3600; \$1100.

University of Georgia—\$2600 to \$3600; \$600.

University of Kentucky—\$2500 to \$3300; \$300.

Mississippi A. & M.—\$2700 to \$3300; 50 per cent.

Texas A. & M.—\$2750 to \$3250; \$500.

University of Tennessee—\$2750 to \$3250; 30 per cent.

University of Arkansas—\$2200 to \$3250; 25 per cent.

Clemson (S. C.) College—\$2200 to \$3000; 12 per cent.

Alabama Polytechnic Institute—\$2000 to \$3000; none.

A New Jersey City has just announced a maximum salary of \$4,000 for all elementary school principals. Will salaries of such maximum size continue to attract young men of ability, promise and vision to seek college positions?

Now what are the reasons for the low salaries paid to the men who are teaching Alabama boys? One certainly may be found in the following table indicating just what sums are received by various colleges for their administrative and maintenance account:

Texas A. & M. College\$548,865

North Carolina A. & M. 163,500

Clemson S. C. College 165,000

Georgia University, (Agri.) 132,000

Mississippi A. & M. 125,000

Alabama Polytechnic Institute .. 104,175

Wherein lies the remedy? The board of Trustees will pay an adequate wage if the people of the state place the sum in the treasury and notify the legislators of their wishes. A campaign of publicity must be waged among the voters of the state upon whose shoulders lies the responsibility in its final analysis. Will the men of influence and force in the counties put this responsibility up to the people? The faithful, underpaid teaching force of our colleges should not be compelled to continue to make such large "invisible contributions" to the support and expense of these institutions.

News from the Alumni

1878

George H. Price, Nashville, Tenn., is one of the leading specialists of that city. He represents as an oculist the N. C. & St. L. Railway, the L. & N. Railway, the Nashville Terminal Company, and the Nashville Railway & Light Company, and also holds the chair of Professor of Diseases of Eye, Nose and Throat at the Vanderbilt School of Medicine.

1880

Edwin A. Price is one of the leading lawyers of Nashville, Tenn., having an office in the Stahlman Building.

1882

Col. R. F. Ligon is clerk of the Alabama Supreme Court at Montgomery, which office he has held for a good many years, and doubtless will for a good many more.

He has recently returned from an Eastern trip, where he was entertained by his old college mate, General Robert Lee Bulard of Governors Island.

1884

Hon. Lum Duke of Opelika is Judge of the Lee County Court of Law and Equity.

1889

F. H. Vernon, Birmingham, is no longer with the Cotton Oil Mills, being now a trader in farm products, and making good.

1890

Dr. W. G. Harrison is a prominent Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat Specialist in Birmingham, with an office in the Empire Building.

George H. Waring is Vice-President and Assistant General Manager of the American Public Utilities Company at Grand Rapids, Mich., having been elected to that office in June, 1919. From 1910 to 1917 Mr. Waring was Vice-President and General Manager of the Consolidated Railway and Light System, Charleston, S. C., later leaving that position to accept the management of the Gas Company at Salt Lake City, Utah.

1892

Geo. A. Thomas, Montgomery, Ala., has for twenty-five years been one of the leading real estate and insurance agents of that city, with an office in the First National Bank Building. On April 22, 1896, he married Miss Mildred S. McGehee, and has four children.

Leroy S. Boyd is Librarian of the Interstate Commerce Commission, Washington, D. C. His father, Dr. Boyd, was at one time President of the A. P. I.

Dr. Charles A. Brown is Principal of the Central High School of Birmingham. He conducted the Summer Schol at Auburn during the past session, in the absence of Director Zebulon Judd.

1893

Lee Ashcraft is Vice-President of the Ashcraft-Wilkerson Co., Atlanta, Ga., having an office in the Candler Building, and resides at 975 Ponce de Leon Ave.

Chas. H. Smith is Department Vice-President of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co., East Pittsburg, Pa. He has been an assistant electrician of the S. E. Tariff Association, apprentice of the W. E. & M. Co., Chief Inspector Cotton States Exposition Co., Electrical Engineer Corona Coal and Coke Co., and District Engineer for the Westinghouse people at Syracuse, St. Louis, and New York City. In the Spanish-American War he served as First Lieutenant and Captain of Engineers, and in the World War he was Major of Engineers.

1896

O. D. Dumas, Mobile, is Vice-President of the Dumas Grocery Co.

J. Q. Burton, Jr., is a chemist in Atlanta being a member of the firm of the McCandless Laboratory.

1897

Judge F. Lloyd Tate supernumerary Judge of Alabama, has moved from Wetumpka to Montgomery where on September 1st he became a member of the firm of Steiner, Crum & Weil,—leading lawyers of the Capital City. Judge Tate was formerly Attorney General for Ala-

bama and stands high in legal circles of the State as well as having a host of friends who are wishing him well in his new connection.

1899

T. G. Bush, Jr., is a pipe manufacturer at Chattanooga, Tenn.

1900

Dr. Wm. S. Rutledge is a physician and surgeon at Ruston, La.

Kate Holifield has been teaching the vocational men at Auburn this past session,—English and Mathematics.

M. A. Beeson is Professor of Agromony at the A. & M. College, Stillwater, Okla.

L. M. Merriweather is Assistant Secretary of the Birmingham Realty Company.

1901

R. T. Arnold is President of the Arnold Printing Co., Jacksonville, Fla. He married in 1907, and has two children. He is Vice-President of the Automobile Club at Jacksonville. He reports himself as "nuts on automobiles and golf, rapidly losing my beauty, but health good; rather dry".

B. B. Merriweather is a civil engineer at Birmingham; his address is 2118 First Avenue.

Jere W. Gwin is president of the Board of Revenue of Jefferson County, with office in the Court House.

1903

W. W. Rutland is at Flat Rock, Ala., where he is teaching in the Flat Rock High School.

T. W. Morgan is President and Treasurer of the Pratt Coal Co., with office in the Woodward Building, Birmingham.

1904

Leonard P. Hall is President of the Willis Pipe Co., Inc., New York City, who are extensive manufacturers of smoking pipes.

Henry McDonnell is at Little Rock, Ark., being with the N. W. Steel & Iron Works of Arkansas, manufacturing canning outfits and supplies.

1905

H. D. Brown of Carrolton, Ga., after two years in government service, has resumed practice as a consulting engineer.

C. W. Street, Jr., of Birmingham, is President of the Birmingham Alumni Association. His office is 1411 American Trust Building. He is also the success-

ful manager of the Birmingham Athletic Association.

G. W. Postell of Helena, Ala., is Superintendent of the Eureka Coal Co. He writes: "Have been an interested subscriber for a number of years, and you can count on my subscription year by year".

H. E. Bennett is located at 1531 Tenth Avenue, S. Birmingham, Ala. He is interested in a coal mine in Walker County.

1906

R. E. Allison is residing at Ballamy, Ala.

1907

F. R. Duncan is an architect and electrical engineer at Columbus, Ga.

Homer Wright and Mrs. Wright, who have been boarding at the McElhaney Hotel since their marriage, have now moved into their attractive bungalow on Gay Street.

Fred Curtis is at Pollard, Ala., where he is Cashier of the Bank of Pollard.

H. B. Whittaker is at El Paso, Texas, where he is Manager of the Sales Department of the S. W. General Electric Co.

Chas. Van W. Cornell was with the S. E. Underwriters Association as Manager of the Florida Bureau at Jacksonville. He has just been made Assistant Secretary of the company at Atlanta, Ga. He is married and has one child.

F. B. Rutledge is a druggist at Demopolis, Ala. He has a little girl six years old, and a son, Frank, Jr., aged three years.

N. B. Buchanan is at Tupelo, Miss., where he is engaged in the Automobile business, having the Ford Agency.

1909

W. I. Pittman is Alabama Manager of the Volunteer State Life Insurance Co., with headquarters in Birmingham, Ala., where he has been living for the past four years. Though not yet married, he has reasonable aspirations. He promises particularly active boosting of the "Old Tiger" when Vanderbilt is played in Birmingham on October 23rd.

Howard K. Porter resides at East Orange, N. J., but he is Sales Manager of the Mine Car Department of the Hyatt Roller Bearing Co., 709 Sixth Ave., New York City.

Ed C. Betts is a leading attorney at Huntsville, Ala.

Jas. W. Moore is Chief Engineer of the American Cast Iron Pipe Co., at Birmingham. He married Miss Jessie Floyd of the Class of 1920, and is raising a co-ed for the class of 1937.

R. A. Burleson is a contractor at Hartselle, Ala., and is also a member of the Alabama Legislature from Morgan County.

Julian C. Culver is at Fort Valley, Ga., where he has charge of the station and laboratory Division of Deciduous Fruit Insect Infections under the Bureau of Entomology at Washington. He spent several years in New England with the Government, and married there. He has the finest five year old girl of any man in the class. For the past three years he has been in Georgia and Florida, and his present work is under the direction of Dr. A. L. Quaintance of '94.

J. L. Edwards is at 498 Union Arcade, Pittsburg, where he is engaged in the business of Manufacturers Agent. He represents Mahr Manufacturing Co., of Minneapolis, Minn., on oil burning equipment and the Waterhouse Welding Co. of Boston, Mass., on oxy acetylene welding.

Chas. R. Huchins is a National Bank Examiner, living at 21 Nineteenth Street Bessemer.

Schuyler H. Richardson, formerly an attorney in Birmingham, is now Captain of the 21st Field Artillery at Camp Bragg, N. C.

G. A. Young of Fayetteville, Ark., who has been teaching city school administration at the University, has just been appointed head of the University Demonstration High School of the University of Louisiana at Baton Rouge. After leaving college Mr. Young did special work in English and History in the University of Tennessee, later taking his A. M. degree at Columbia University. Later he became a graduate student of the University of Chicago. For five years he was connected with the elementary schools of Birmingham as principal, then principal of the Normal school at Moundville, and finally Superintendent of the city schools of Mayfield, Ky. He has since then been principal of the county High Schools of Marion and Marengo counties.

1910

William Swart is at Baton Rouge, La., where he is engineer of the Standard Oil Company of Louisiana.

Walter B. Jones is Vice-President of the

Montgomery City Commission. He is a former member of the State Highway Commission, and was a member of the Legislature from Montgomery County in 1919. On November 6, 1920, he becomes Circuit Judge of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, to which office he was recently elected.

Forrest R. Harsh, formerly Meat and Milk Inspector at Mobile, has joined the U. S. Army, having headquarters at Camp Furlong, New Mexico. He is Captain of the Veterinary Corps. He is married, and has a six year old boy whom he expects to matriculate at Auburn in 1930, with final destination in the army in 1936.

L. B. Ehrlich who has been with the American Bosch Magneto Corporation of Springfield, Mass., for a year and a half, has just been made Chief Engineer of the Gray & Davis, Inc. of Cambridge, Mass. The latter company has just been taken over by the Bosch people and Mr. Ehrlich has been selected to redesign the line and put the plant in good condition again,—all of which makes good reading for Auburn men.

1911

Luther D. Fuller is at Jamestown, N. Y. where he is the Chief Agricultural Agent of the Erie Railway.

W. Wray Boyd with his wife and baby Dorothy, visited his parents Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Boyd for a week or ten days, the latter part of August. He is in the employ of The Walsh & Weidner Boiler Co., of Chattanooga, Tenn., and has gone to Havana to look after their business in Cuba. His friends are congratulating him on his advancement.

Henry C. Bates is no longer at Akron, Ala., but is associated with the Development Service of the Southern Railway with headquarters at Atlanta.

1912

Henry Wells Brooks, formerly of Columbus, Ga., is now a practicing physician and surgeon at Geneva, Ga.

H. I. Brengle is at Fort Lavaca, Texas, where he is County Agricultural Agent with the Extension forces of the Texas A. & M. College. He has been in Texas for eight years, and owns a farm in Central Texas.

William H. Webber is in the automobile business at 214 Moulton Street, Montgomery; he handles the Overland and Jordan cars. He married Miss Elizabeth Pelzer of Montgomery, and has a little daughter about nine weeks old, named Olive.

Ernest Thomas has gone to Baton Rouge, La., where he has been appointed to a position in the State Chemical Laboratory.

O. H. Sellers has resigned his position with the Experiment Station at Auburn, and is now at Opelika, Ala., where he has joined the sales force of the Hudmon Grocery Company.

Chester A. Smith is now Lieutenant in the army with headquarters at Camp Pike Little Rock, Ark.

Walker Anderson, Jr., electrical engineer, formerly of Pensacola, Fla., is now with the General Electric Co., in the Oliver Building, Pittsburg, Pa. "Still single and Democratic".

1913

W. J. Galloway, Jr., is an investment banker at Memphis, Tenn., in the Bank of Commerce Building.

John P. Tomberlin is no longer at Tampico, Mexico, but is located at Port Neches, Texas, with the Texas Company.

1914

H. W. Robinson is a Lieutenant in the U. S. Army at Fort Porter, N. Y., where he is serving as Post Adjutant.

E. C. Adkins is no longer in Gainsville, Texas, but is a traveling salesman at Thomas Station, Birmingham, Ala.

1915

Frank W. Wilmore is a teacher of Mechanical Drawing in the Louisiana Industrial Institute at Ruston.

Irby R. Pollard, formerly an Instructor in the Veterinary Department at Auburn, is now located at 2914 Eleventh St., N. W. Washington, D. C.

T. B. Gissendanner, formerly of Pinckard, Ala., is now a veterinary practitioner at Monroe, Ga.

Wm. L. White is achieving some considerable fame as an inventor of appliances for use with the Underwood typewriter. Recently he has patented a device for simplifying the tabulation of figures which along with three other patents have been purchased from him by the Underwood people. Other inventions which he has patented appertain to electric flashlights and cash registers.

W. E. Ayres, formerly at Fayette, Ark., is now with the Mississippi Experiment Station at Stoneville, Miss., as Plant Breeder.

1916

Leonard L. Watkins is Southern Representative of the Johnson Sales Company, Pittsburg, Pa., with headquarters in the Flat Iron Building, Atlanta, Ga. He left Auburn in 1914, and took his B. A. degree in 1916 at the University of Texas.

David M. Dowdell who has been with the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. at Akron, Ohio, is now at Memphis, Tenn., in the Chemical Laboratory of the American Cotton Oil Co.

1918

W. C. McKay is with the Railway Sales Department of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co., at Wilksburg, Pa.

B. W. Murray is at Brunswick, Ga., where he has been appointed City Milk and Meat Inspector.

J. R. Sullivan formerly of Grady, Ala., has been appointed City Food and Dairy Inspector at Montgomery.

J. H. Murray is located at Spring Hill, Alabama, just 22 miles out of Mobile. He has been made manager of the Spring Lake Farms composed of a thousand acres, stocked with 200 head of cattle and hogs. His scientific training in agriculture and animal husbandry is being practically applied to the producing forces of the country.

O. H. Schultz, Jr., is with the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co., as Sales Engineer of the Power Sales Department. He is living at 500 Todd Building, Wilksburg, Pa.

1919

W. H. Avery is at Wagener, S. C., where he is an instructor in vocational agriculture.

Archie M. Kearly is at Bartelsville, Okla., where he is employed with the Empire Gas & Fuel Company.

1920

Stuart H. Dent of Eufaula, Ala., has recently been made Superintendent of the Georgia-Alabama Power Co., at Enterprise.

H. S. Leech of Montgomery has gone to Mobile, where he is employed with the Virginia Carolina Chemical Co.

Reuben J. Plant is a Pharmacist at Tallahassee, Ala.

H. A. Caldwell is a chemist in the fertilizer laboratory of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co., at Richmond, Va.

W. E. Snuggs of Enterprise, Ala., has been made Principal of the Coffee County High School, which has the largest enrollment and best prospects for the best year in its history.

Ernest W. Harvey, H. S. Genius, J. L. Jimmerson and Neal C. Johnson form the most recent additions to the Auburn contingent of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co., of Wilksburg, Pa., where they are receiving a warm welcome.

Jesse Trawick, Jr., ex-'22, has gone to West Point, after receiving notice from the Adjutant General of his acceptance at the Military Academy. He hoped to enter the Sophomore class.

Miss Leland Cooper has been spending part of the vacation period in Atlanta.

L. G. Adams, ex-'04, of Mobile, was much in the limelight during the annual meeting of the Automobile Dealers Association during the latter part of July in the Gulf City. Mr. Adams is the President of that influential organization and needless to say makes a good one.

Faculty News

Prof. J. L. Turner of the University of Chicago has been selected as Professor of Mathematics, vice Dr. J. F. Messick, resigned to accept similar work at Emory University in Atlanta. Prof. Turner took his A. M. degree at the University of Chicago, and has practically completed all work required for his Doctorate. Much of his training in Mathematics was secured at Cambridge University, England, which means much.

J. C. Grimes of Lexington, Ky., has been appointed Head of the Department of Animal Husbandry, vice Geo. S. Templeton, resigned to accept a similar position at the A. & M. College in Texas. Mr. Grimes is a graduate of the University of Tennessee and comes to Alabama from the Animal Husbandry Department of the University of Kentucky, College of Agriculture and Experiment Station by whose official staff he is most highly recommended.

W. H. Eaton has been transferred from Dairy Extension work over the State to take charge of the new department of Dairying, just established by the college, on the basis of funds advanced to the college by the dairymen of Alabama. In addition to teaching in the college, Mr. Eaton will also have charge of the dairy herd and the college creamery.

Director L. N. Duncan of the Extension Service has moved the quarters of the District Demonstration Agents and the Home Demonstration Agents, from their separate locations over near the Experiment Station to the Geo. Duncan home, North Gay Street. This arrangement enables a closer contact of the entire staff—the Home Demonstration Agents occupying the entire upper floor,—the District Agents and Boys Club Agents, the lower floor.

Marriages

Rueben J. Plant, '20, and *Marie Lester Warren* were married at Tallasee, Ala., in August.

Joseph Littleton Edwards, '09, and *Florence Marguerite Cowen* were married in Pittsburg, Pa., on Wednesday, August 11, 1920. Their wedding trip included Atlantic City, New York and Boston. They are now at home at 2653 Mount Troy Road, Pittsburg. Miss Cowen was a prominent society girl of Pittsburg. Mr. Edwards, though now of Pittsburg, was formerly a resident of Selma, Ala., where his family have for many years been prominently connected with the political and civic life of the section.

Hugh Williams Caffey, '17, and *Miss Louise Pegram* were married July 3rd at Greensboro, Alabama.

Andrew Dowdell Lipscomb, '19, and *Miss Freddie Scott* of Auburn were married September 6, 1920. They are residing at Baton Rouge, La., where Mr. Dowdell has a position in the State Laboratory.

Deaths

William Hamilton Eager, Jr., '01, died at his home at Capitol Heights in Montgomery, March 16, 1920. He was born in Chattanooga, Tenn., on July 24, 1879, and was therefore 41 years of age at the time

of his death. He graduated with the Class of 1901; married Miss Mary Belle Thomas of Auburn in 1902; was an electrical and mechanical engineer for the Western Railway of Ala. and the A. & W. P. R. R. He is survived by his wife and five children.

Junius Percival Oliver, '74, of Dadeville, Ala., died on July 27th 1919. He was born in Chambers County, Alabama, June 15th, 1842, and at the age of 19, while still a student at the A. & M. College volunteered for service in the Confederate army, joining the Independent Rifles organized at Montgomery which later became Company E of the 6th Alabama Infantry. He saw active service in the seven days battle at Cold Harbor and all other battles with his regiment up to Antietam, where he was wounded severely. After the war he settled on a farm at Dadeville, Alabama, where he resided to the time of his death. In 1870 he was honored by being elected a member of the State Board of Education,—becoming a regent of the Alabama University. In 1874 he took his degree of Master of Arts at the A. & M. College. He served as Superintendent of Education of Tallapoosa County for twelve years. At all times and under all circumstances he was a warm friend of Auburn.

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Furniture and Fixtures	19,000.00
Real Estate	8,538.74

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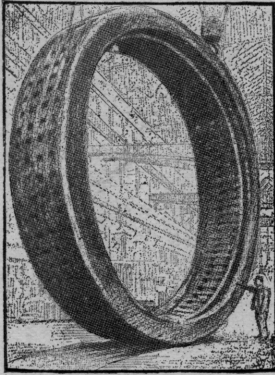
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Due from Banks	119,275.15
U. S. Treasurer	5,000.00
Cash in Vault	59,411.47
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Capital Stock	\$ 100,000.00
Surplus Fund	250,000.00
Undivided Profits	110,838.55
Circulating Notes	100,000.00
Bills Payable	353,166.98

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